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In re Patent Application of:

**Roger L. FRICK**

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For: OPTICAL SENSOR FOR MEASURING  
PHYSICAL AND MATERIAL PROPERTIES

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Non-Fee Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 16 of this paper.